

TOWN OF GRAFTON

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MINUTES

GRAFTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 10/21/21 ZOOM

A meeting of the Grafton Emergency Management Agency was held on 10/21/21 by Zoom

Meeting Opened at 7:03 Zoom Meeting with introductions.

Members: Kathy Cederberg, Marianne DeVries, Curt Williams, Dave Woodbury, GPD Chief Norm Crepeau, Laura DiDio, Keya Pitts, Bill Muller (BOH), Jenn Maynard (BOH)

- 1. Status of GEMA and Police Facebook Pages
 - a. Police resolved their Facebook issues
 - b. GEMA original Facebook page unable to update due to lack of administrative privilege. Will develop a new Facebook page (Dave Woodbury, Keya Pitts, Marianne DeVries); will attempt to decommission the old Facebook page through the company (Kurt Williams)
 - c. Develop GEMA Twitter feed: Laura DiDio

2. Grants

- a. 21EMPG discussion on Mobile Command Center benefits and also Fire Training on Auto Extraction Techniques. (Kathy Cederberg and Laura DiDio)
- b. Discussion on Shelter at GHS and lack of essential facilities being on generator. Suggestion for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to be submitted to Town Administrator and also for a generator grant from FEMA through the Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant process. However our Hazard Mitigation Plan must be approved by FEMA in 08/22.
- Climate Resilient Internet (Laura DiDio) Line of sight technology that would supplement the internet in case of flooding or internet being otherwise disrupted. Laura will send committee more information prior to having a presentation.

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- 4. Hazard Mitigation Survey: Partial survey was discussed by (Kathy Cederberg) in particular the remarks from town residents attesting to issues with need for more information (social media), need of adequate shelter, cell phone alerts and what department to call if there is issue(s) in town.
- 5. Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) (Chief Crepeau) introduced this system of alerting Grafton residents through text, phone and email. There are different levels of WEA including Presidential, State and local.
- 6. NEMLEC Stars Program in the Schools (Kathy Cederberg) presented the program that has been developed in the North Street Elementary School. Chief Crepeau said a similar program is in the schools already but is not being used. Kathy Cederberg will follow up with Dr. Cummings on the advantages and issues with program.
- 7. Other grants Community Compact Connector is a grant respository for different types of grants. (Dave Woodbury)
- 8. Drug Take Back weekend on 10/25 & 10/26 at GPD
- 9. Next Meeting 12/2/21 at 7 pm Zoom
- 10. Adjournment 8:15 pm